## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

PASCOAG UTILITY DISTRICT'S 2020 DEMAND SIDE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

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## COMMISSION'S THIRD SET OF DATA REQUESTS ISSUED TO PASCOAG UTILITY DISTRICT

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3-1 Does Pascoag perform Energy audits for its electric customers who secure their heating fuel from National Grid/Narragansett Gas?

Answered by Desarae Dolan: Yes, we do.

a) If so, please indicate how many National Grid/Narragansett Gas customers received energy audits through Pascoag Utility District in 2017, 2018 and 2019.

Answered by Desarae Dolan:

Pascoag does not have readily available data on energy audits conducted in 2017 as Energy New England was undergoing a software conversion for their energy audit software during that time period. In 2018, all thirteen of the customers who received an energy audit used oil for heating. The chart below reflects heating fuel data for 2019.

Fuel Type-2019 Energy Audits	Number of Customers
Oil	87
Electricity	9
Propane	6
Natural Gas	4
Wood	4
Pellets	1
Total:	111

## b) If so, why are these customers not referred to National Grid/Narragansett Gas's energy audit program?

Answered by Desarae Dolan:

Pascoag has never denied a Pascoag Utility District customer an energy audit on the basis of the type of heating fuel that they use. Each electric customer pays into the Demand Side Management program through the conservation charge on their bill and we feel that they should be able to take advantage of the programs we offer as rate payers. Our energy audit covers many other offerings besides heating and weatherization incentives so we feel that this is valuable information that we want our customers to have access to. We also do not want electric customers who heat with natural gas to have an additional barrier to get an energy audit by having to call another company to schedule their audit.

c) If so, for these customers, how many in each of 2017, 2018, and 2019 proceeded to weatherization through Pascoag's demand side management program? And, what was the cost for each customer to participate and what was the source of the funding?

Answered by Desarae Dolan:

Pascoag did not have a weatherization program in 2017 or 2018. Through October 2019, Pascoag had three oil heat customers apply for insulation & air sealing rebates. Additionally, three programmable thermostat rebates were processed-two were for oil heat customers and one was for a natural gas customer. The natural gas customer's rebate was \$100 and was paid through the RGGI funded weatherization program.